

TEAM DETROIT ARSENAL:

One of the keynotes at a conference I attended last year was Leonard Brody, who spoke about "The Great Rewrite," speaking about the understanding the rapid change of pace, innovation, disruption, and what to do about it. I believe our total Arsenal team is getting after "what to do about it," as we keep getting the work done by leveraging technology. We definitely experiencing crawl, walk, run, but are navigating the ever changing environment and I have to thank you all for getting after it. Prepare to remain flexible in the near term, right now change is still our constant.

Whether you are here or teleworking I encourage you to communicate frequently coworkers and your supervisors. If you have questions or seek guidance, make sure you are talking to your chain of command and keeping engaged. Keeping lines of communication open in all directions will keep us moving toward the same goal, dispel rumors, and assure mutual understanding.

Across the installation, we are tracking the health and wellness of the workforce. We are now seeing some test positive cases of COVID with our teammates, along with some presumed positive cases. Organizations are working with our medical support team to trace any contacts, and the medical support will reach out to individuals who have prolonged contact with test positive individuals in the window of high risk. That window is usually about a two week period.

We made the decision yesterday to close Bryant Child Development Center at Selfridge, as one of our garrison teammates tested positive. We worked directly with all the parents and thank them for their support to our child development staff.

As of 1745hrs on 25MAR2020, we remain at HPCON Bravo. We will advise of any change and specific direction as it relates to the Defense Industrial Base.

Dr. Mark Esper, Secretary of Defense, hosted a virtual town hall on Tuesday. He addressed multiple aspects of DoD's response to the current pandemic. You can view it here:

View the virtual town hall on DVIDS at: <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/744094/top-dod-officials-hold-virtual-town-hall-meeting>

View the virtual town hall on Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/i/broadcasts/1gqGvERqAoqKB> (Skip to 3:39 to avoid the long musical prelude)

A transcript of the town hall is available at:

<https://www.defense.gov/Newsroom/Transcripts/Transcript/Article/2123944/secretary-of-defense-dr-mark-t-esper-chairman-of-the-joint-chiefs-of-staff-gen/>

During the ongoing response to the Corona Virus Pandemic, the Garrison remains committed to supporting the workforce in accomplishing the Army's mission.

Our Operations Center is staffed during the duty day and has an on-call 24/7 Watch Officer. If you need assistance please call 586-282-2773, or email USARMY Detroit Arsenal IMCOM Central Mailbox Garrison-Operations.

Organizations that need assistance from the garrison and have access to WebEOC are encouraged to make their request on the WebEOC RFA/RFI board to help us capture historical record of our installation response to COVID19.

Service Impacts:

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER: The Bryant CDC is closed. The DTA CDC remains open.

CAFÉ 229: The Café will close after lunch on Friday, 27 MAR 20. Vending services are still available throughout the installation. If you are on site and have concerns about access to food, we encourage you to talk with your supervisor.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE CENTER: The Detroit Arsenal EAC realizes that as a result of the viral pandemic, people are spending more time at home – some working remotely, practicing social distancing, isolation and quarantine. This means being in closer quarters for longer periods of time with spouses and partners. Though you may love the one you’re living with, conflicts could arise. The EAC is in a teleworking status but assistance is still only a phone call away. Employees seeking additional information on how to deal with working from home can call 586-282-6808 and speak with Billy J. Hallmark Jr, the Employee Assistance Program Manager.

ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE: ACS is now on telework status but assistance is a phone call away. Please be assured that each ACS program manager is available to clients M-F from 0800-1600. If an emergency need arises, and requires an in person meeting, ACS staff will make arrangements with that client to meet in the office on a case by case basis. Please encourage any AD Soldier, DoD Civilian, Retiree, Guard/Reserve on Active Orders, or any immediate family member to reach out as needed to our specialized staff. ACS is always here with resources and referrals to support our Army Family. Call 586-282-0489 or visit our website to get started. <https://home.army.mil/detroit/index.php/my-fort/all-services/armed-forces-commu>

Thanks again all! I encourage you to be thoughtful about your public interfaces in the coming weeks - we want you safe and healthy and care about your wellness.

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